



2014 Our Hands and Hearts Reaching Out
Jesus said, "And I, if I be lifted up ...

I will draw all men unto Myself." John 12:32

At Oasis we say, "We just want to be there when He does."

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Matthew. 28:19,20 These are the last words of Jesus before He returned to His Father in Heaven. His command to us is to spread the good news to all nations, make disciples and to remember He will be with us in all that we do. So we lift up His name in everything we do.

At Oasis, we make it very clear that everything we do is because we are dedicated to the cause of reaching people with the hope that is only found in Jesus Christ. We are not ashamed of the gospel. We pray for refugees. We share scripture and testimonies of His love and goodness toward us. We love and help in practical ways, meeting the needs of the new arrivals to our city. As we acknowledge Jesus in everything we do, we believe that the Lord will draw them to Himself and they will know Him as their Savior. We believe that as we do our part, we will see many that will know Him. **Would you pray with us that in 2014 God will draw many unto Himself.**



In Memory

On Dec. 5th my Mom, Irene Akers went to be with the Lord.

On Dec. 6th my brother John's wife, Valerie, also went to be with the Lord. Their funerals were one day apart. To say that these women impacted the world around them would be an understatement. Most importantly they poured out love to every person they met.



In John 15:12 Jesus said, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." Well, my mom and Valerie did that with a smile, a listening ear and kind words. And a great sense of humor!! They could tell a story and would always make you laugh. Thank you to all of you who prayed for our family and gave food, flowers and donations to Oasis International.



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OUR MISSION is to love and care for those who seek refuge from a war torn country with the love of Jesus.

Oasis In The City: "Stories from the heart"

"oasis" a pleasant or peaceful area in the midst of a difficult place: calm in the city

Requests for 2014

We know that the most important thing we can do at Oasis this year is to seek God, hear His voice and obey. God has impressed some things on our heart for this year.

Would you agree with us in prayer to see His promises fulfilled?

- **FAMILY TO FAMILY/FRIEND TO FRIEND:** We know that having a good, Christian family to walk alongside a refugee family makes all the difference in the world when transitioning to St. Louis. Churches can adopt one family and then several members of the church can reach out and be that friend that makes a difference.
- **JOBS:** One of our friends who works with the homeless in St. Louis recently told us that they are seeing more international people on the streets. We know that job opportunities come through networking.
- Please pray with us for employment for the international community.
- **PROVISION:** We are believing Eph. 3:20 for Oasis; "That He is able to do exceedingly, abundantly above and beyond all we could ask or think." Whatever the need, whether it is resources, volunteers, finances, health, or strength, we are believing that God will give us what we need to fulfill His purposes for this year.
- **REVELATION:** That the revelation of Jesus would come to the nations of our city. That God would work with us with signs and wonders. That as we love Jesus and lift up His name He will draw the nations to Him.

We are forever grateful for your prayers for this ministry!

"This is what the LORD Almighty said:

Administer true justice; show mercy and compassion to one another. Do not oppress the widow or the fatherless, the foreigner or the poor. Do not plot evil against each other." Zechariah 7:9